

RULES GOVERNING THE MOY-MO-DA-YO RECREATIONAL AREA*

Purpose, Use and Definitions

1. These **Rules** relate to the Town of Limington's **Moy-Mo-Da-Yo Recreational Area** on Horne Pond (also known as Pequawket Lake) and the so-called "Town Beach" area located next to it. For the purpose of this ordinance, these two recreational areas shall be considered the same.
2. The 35 acre **Recreational Area** shall be open to all persons for use within the operating hours prescribed and under the conditions detailed herein. Violation will result in expulsion and/or suspension of their privilege to return. Use of the area is at the individual's risk.
3. The **Beach Area** is the most heavily used part of the property, located between the Parking Lot and the lake and from one end of the beach to the other. It includes the "main" beach, a boat launch, changing room/storage shed, host residential site, playground, tennis court, interpretive trail, picnic tables, charcoal grills and restrooms.
4. The **Main Gate** gate refers to the swinging gate and area at the entrance to the Recreational Area property on the Moy-Mo-Da-Yo Road.
5. The **Reserved Group Area** is a designated space within the Beach Area, with picnic tables and charcoal grills, that can reserved for groups and private affairs.
6. **Abenaki Path** is a footpath (snowshoe trail in the winter) that begins and ends at either end of the beach and loops around the perimeter of the greater Recreational Area property. It follows the lake shoreline, the back side of the field, and passes by the Main Gate and the Town Beach area on its way to and from the main beach. No wheels allowed. Abenaki Path, including the beach, can be walked at any time of the year, even during the hosted season, without having to pay fees.

Operating Hours

1. Hosted season (late May - early September): 9AM - 8 PM. Specific dates will be posted.
2. Non-hosted season (mid September - mid May): sunrise to sunset. No vehicles are allowed in the Recreational Area when the Main Gate is closed. However, pedestrians are welcome to use the road and Abenaki Path at anytime during daylight hours throughout the year.

Vehicle Operation and Speed Limits

1. Drivers shall obey the posted limits.
2. 20 MPH speed limit from the North Road to the Recreational Area.
3. 15 MPH speed limit within the Recreational Area.
4. No vehicles are allowed on the beach or off marked roadways.
5. Vehicles are allowed only on the main roads and in prescribed parking areas. Service vehicles are excepted.
6. Snowmobiles are not allowed to run over the retaining wall in the winter.

Parking

1. The Town of Limington accepts no liability for loss or damage to vehicles or their contents in the Recreational Area. Parking will be at the user's own risk.
2. Parking for day use is restricted to the Parking Lot.
3. Limited handicapped parking is provided near the beach by official permit only.
4. Limited parking for up to three vehicles (with or without trailer) is available to the left (west) of the boat launch. Temporary parking for additional vehicles/trailers is limited to 10 minutes after which time they can be parked in the field adjacent to the Parking Lot.
5. No overnight parking is allowed except by special use permit.

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Boat Launch and Dock

1. No boat shall be launched without first being inspected for invasive plant life.

2. Boats/canoes shall **not** be left unattended at the boat launch or dock for more than 10 minutes although they may be beached to the left (west) side of the dock for longer periods. In exceptional situations, and with permission from the host, a boat can be moored to to the left (west) side of the launching dock for somewhat longer periods.
3. Persons launching their boats must remove their vehicle from the launch ramp immediately after launching.
4. Watercraft may be moored temporarily to the left (east) side of the dock for loading and unloading.
5. Boat motor maintenance is not allowed in the launching area.
6. Boat operation at headway speed is required by state law within 200 feet of the shore.

Fires

1. Open fires are not allowed anywhere in the Recreational Area except with special permission.
2. Charcoal grills and personal gas grills are allowed but must be attended constantly while in operation.

Trash Disposal

1. Littering is not allowed. All trash shall be taken home or disposed in the on-site trash containers provided.
2. Returnable bottles and cans may be left in the area designated and will be used to offset operating costs of the area.
3. No glass bottles or containers are allowed in the beach area.

Noise and Conduct

1. Audio equipment with external speakers are not to be used at this facility.
2. Disorderly conduct is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, indecent acts, intoxication, and obscene language.
3. Children 12 and under must be supervised and always accompanied by adults. Youths age 13 and older may be asked by the host to leave the area if behavior is a problem.

Alcohol and Drugs

1. Public consumption of alcohol is prohibited in the Recreational Area by state law.
2. Public use of illegal drugs, including marijuana is prohibited by state and federal laws.

Pets

1. During the hosted season dogs are allowed (A) on the large field adjacent to the Parking Lot, (B) on the dog path from the Parking Lot to the "watering hole" on the eastern shore of the lake, and (C) on that section of the Abenaki Path between the watering hole and the road that leads from Moy-Mo Da-Yo-Road to the Town Beach on the western side of the property.
2. Dogs must be restrained by a leash while on Abenaki Path and the dog path to the lake, and carefully monitored while off-leash at the watering hole and in the field.
3. Dogs **ARE NOT PERMITTED** in the Beach Area during the hosted season.
4. Owners are responsible for cleaning up pet waste.

Smoking

1. Smoking in the Beach Area is restricted to one designated location. See signs leading to that space. By state law, smoking marijuana or using any intoxicants is illegal on any public property.

Use of a Reserved Group Area (RGA)

1. A RGA can be reserved at the Limington Municipal Complex exclusively for the use of those to whom it is assigned.
2. RGA users are subject to all rules and conditions detailed in these ordinances.
3. RGA users must complete the special use permit application (Appendix A) and submit it at the Limington Municipal Complex where it must be approved by the Limington Selectmen.
4. Arrangements may be made in advance to utilize a RGA during the non-hosted season.

User Fees

1. The daily use fee for the Recreational Area Center during the hosted season is \$5.00 per vehicle and all occupants therein. No fee from 6 PM to 8 PM.
2. A season pass sticker is available at \$30 for residents and \$35 for non-residents. This pass allows unlimited use of all non-reserved areas and facilities. A second pass for another vehicle within the same family is available for \$5 extra.
3. The Reserved Group Area user fee is \$100.00, payable in advance at the Limington Municipal Complex.
4. The Reserved Group Area user fee may be waived for officially recognized or chartered non-profit groups upon request to the Moy-Mo-Da-Yo Recreational Area Oversight Committee.

Watercraft Rentals

1. Use of rental watercraft is at your risk! You must complete and sign the rental agreement.
2. All customers must wear life jackets regardless of age.
3. Do not exceed the rated capacity of the watercraft listed on the placard inside the hull.
4. You must be at least 18 years old to rent a watercraft.
5. You must be at least 16 years old to rent a watercraft with parent/guardian permission. The parent or guardian must sign the rental agreement and must be present on site the entire time it is in use. There must be at least one person 16 years or older in a rented canoe. The rental agreement is with the parent, but the child must also agree to the rules.
6. Watercraft must be beached during a thunderstorm.
7. Intentionally swamping of a watercraft is prohibited.
8. No gas or electric motors are to be attached to a canoe.
9. Alcoholic beverages and pets are prohibited.
10. Watercraft and equipment shall not be removed from the recreational area.
11. Damage or loss shall result in reimbursement for actual replacement or repair cost.
12. Watercraft are not allowed in the swimming area.
13. Renter must return the watercraft and accessories to the canoe rack when finished and in clean condition.
14. Rental rate is \$2 for 1 hour and there is a \$5 deposit which will be returned when the watercraft is returned to its rack and accessories returned to the attendant.